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FM AMEMBASSY PORT LOUIS
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SUBJECT: EC- MAURITIUS ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT

REF: GENEVA 1012 (PARA 3)

1. GOM HAS NOT YET INITIATED GRADUAL TARIFF REDUCTIONS REQUIRED BY SUBJECT AGREEMENT, SINCE LATTER NOT YET RATIFIED BY ITALY AND FRG. MINFIN FINGADOO TOLD AMBASSADOR MARCH 10 HE HAD DECIDED USE THIS AS EXCUSE POSTPONE MEASURE IN ORDER AVOID ANY LOSS CUSTOMS RECEIPTS UNTIL SUMMER. RATIFICATIONS ARE EXPECTED BY END MAY AND HE FORECASTS INITIAL GOM STEPS BRING EEC DUTIES INTO LINE WITH MOST- FAVORED- NATION REQUIREMENTS WILL BE TAKEN IN JUNE. HE OPINED GRADUAL ELIMINATION COMMONWEALTH PREFERENCES WOULD END SHIPMENT BRITISH CARS HERE BUT THAT THIS MIGHT NOT NECESSARILY BENEFIT OTHER EEC COUNTRIES (E. G. FRANCE) BUT RATHER JAPAN. RINGADOO DID INDICATE FISCAL TAXES MIGHT BE INTRODUCED IN EFFORT MAINTAIN EXISTING REVENUES FROM IMPORTS.

2. EMBASSY HAS NO RPT NO SPECIFIC INFO RE TREATMENT TO BE EXTENDED

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US EXPORTS BEYOND THAT REPORTED OUR A-163 (SEPT 5). WILL FOLLOW CLOSELY IN MONTHS AHEAD IN EFFORT ASSURE EXPECTED NON- DIS- CRIMINATORY TREATMENT FOR US EXPORTS DOES IN FACT MATERIALIZE. MEANWHILE, WE GATHER TIDE IS SETTING AGAINST REVERSE PREFERENCES. BREWER

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